

DENVER TALKFEST A MOST LIVELY ONE

Samuel G. Blythe Picks Out
Some Pretty Words.

USES THEM AT RANDOM

A Little Cynicism and Sarcasm
Mixed with Tabasco Dished Up
Fresh Every Hour—Vice Presidential
Candidates All Have Little
Pieces to Speak, if Only Permitted.

By SAMUEL G. BLYTHE.
Denver, Colo., July 9.—Once more the
Democratic party has proved that it is the great-
est conversational party on earth. It
loves the sound of the human voice. Led
by the celebrated Vesuvius of Lincoln
and tallied by that cloudburst of language,
Alfalfa Bill, of Oklahoma, so-called be-
cause he grows three crops of whiskers
every year on the same soil, everything
between is vocal.

Thus far the Democratic national con-
vention has been a wordfest, and so it
will continue to the end. We have had
oratory in all the known styles, from
that of the late Mr. John J. Demosthenes
to that of Jimmy Oliver, of Paradise
Park, N. Y. The English language has
been burned at the stake, has been taught
to double flipflop through the air, has
been macerated, lacerated, and chased,
screaming in agony, from pillar to post.

So soon as one orator fell fainting in the
stand another jumped up to take his
place. Any man who had two connected
thoughts in his system was allowed to
take them out and exhibit them to the
audience. We have revelled in apostrophes
to the grand old Democratic party and
all the time the grand old Democratic
party has been sitting in its shirt sleeves
at Fairview, just outside of Lincoln,
sitting on the front porch and thinking
thoughts that have never been thought
before, thoughts which, by the way, will
soon be reduced to speech.

Getting Ready to Nominate.

And as this is being written they are
preparing to nominate Bryan—nominate
him with a flood of language that will
rise to the second galleries and exude
through the windows, nominate him with
words, phrases, periods, paragraphs, and
perorations, complicated with sufficient
votes to make Mr. George Gray, of Dela-
ware, and Mr. John Johnson, of Minne-
sota, look like two Tammany men who
have been rudely assailed by the high
altitude, said altitude being especially
remorseless on Tammany men, most of
whom live in living bells off the coast
of Manhattan, or who are at any rate
only normal when below the level of the
sea.

It seems an error that Bryan should
be nominated only once by this con-
vention. Time, money, worry, and all sorts
of political bother could be saved if the
convention would arise to its opportunity
and nominate him four times, say, pro-
viding for the next sixteen years and do-
ing away with the tumult and the tour-
ment of nominating him in sections four
years apart.

If some patriot, having the best in-
terests of the Democracy at heart, had
the foresight to arise in his place and
demand that this convention should
nominate Mr. Bryan four times, the
country would recognize the act as a
graceful recognition, not to say projection
of the inevitable, and settle down to
slugging nickels from one another. It
would allow discussion and give the
Democracy a fixed basis, which, although
fixed as it is, still have the stamp
of approval, and we could all be
happy and content.

Foresight in Great Demand.

Instead of this, this purblind con-
vention will nominate Mr. Bryan but once,
reserving the future nominations to fu-
ture conventions, and recklessly and im-
prudently wasting a chance to be fore-
handed. We should conserve our re-
sources, as we have been told from
Washington, and, as Mr. Bryan is the
most successful reformer we have, it
seems a shame not to grasp this oppor-
tunity and go marching down to his-
tory as a convention that was gifted
with foresight, inasmuch as hindsight is
one of the most noticeable attributes of
the usual gathering of this kind.

Lamenting this, there was another
phase of the convention to-day that
struck a chill into the hearts of those
who believe in precedent and regularity.
All day long and all night long, too, they
felt something was lacking. There was
a sort of an indefinable longing, a reach-
ing out for a sensation that had become
a part of our lives.

The flags, the bands, the cheers of the
delegates, the massing of the standards,
the professional Southerners jumping up
every time "Dixie" was played, the bang
of the gavel, the cries of "Choke it off!"
Charles F. Murphy giving an imitation
of a clam, the glowing periods of the
nominators, the raucous screams for
"Bryan! Bryan! Bryan!" Alice Roosevelt
Longworth's new hat, matching perfectly
in shade the pinkness of Nicholas Long-
worth's bald head; Col. John I. Martin
hopping wildly from crate to crate to get
into the flashlight pictures, the Denver
people sitting calmly and wondering what
it was all about, Ollie James giving a
complete representation of a ton of beef,
Bill Sapp with the only high hat owned
in Kansas, a hundred and fourteen Vice
Presidential candidates in their last
three—all these things were there, but
the twang was lacking.

Guffey Not Hit with Club.

At no time during the sessions to-day
and to-night did they throw out Col.
James M. Guffey, of Pennsylvania. No
Democrat arose and put the boots to
that infuriated parrot. Not a tattoo was
played with a hickory club on his un-
bowed head. Every person in the hall
used to the spectacle of the Bryan man-
agers beating Guffey to a pulp turned
down thumbs and yelled for the sacrifice.
We had had it every time before. We
felt we were being deprived of our rights
to-day.

They produced the platform, a new
little thing of some umpteen thousand
words, warranted to work backwards,
sidewise, up and down, or catacombed.
The committees had labored faithfully.
They had condensed from six columns to
nine and revised it from nine columns to
sixteen. They put it in the hotel duck
press and squeezed it, and then borrowed
a bicycle pump and blew it up. They
cut it in two sections and played crib-
bage with it, and they pasted it on a
tetrahedral kite frame and flew it over
toward Pike's Peak. They mauled, man-
handled, petted, cajoled, and massaged
this immortal document, and when it
came out it unequivocally and in ringing
phrases denoted one thing, to wit:

That there is a bald and portly gen-
tleman in Lincoln, Neb., who is very

LOUDLY CHEERED IN THE CONVENTION.



GOV. JOHN A. JOHNSON,
Minnesota's chief executive, who came in for a share of enthusiasm at Denver.

WATSON SCORES BRYAN.

Populist Candidate Makes Speech Accepting the
Nomination for the Presidency.

Atlanta, Ga., July 9.—In accepting the
Populist nomination for President to-
night and in a speech to Populists this
morning, Thomas E. Watson denounced
Bryan and lauded Taft.

Both speeches were heard by large
crowds, and there were hisses for Bryan
and cheers for Roosevelt.

The cheers for Roosevelt came when
Watson lauded him for discharging the
negro soldiers because of the Brown-
sville riot. Taft was also cheered when
Watson praised the Republican nominee
for endorsing Roosevelt about Brown-
sville.

Watson described Taft as a man with

anxious to be elected President, and who
has departed from his old business of
running a small store, carrying a select
line of principles, and now is expanded
to a department store, which carries
everything in the line of tenets, from
electing Senators by the direct vote of
the people to the hope, forcibly expressed,
that Miss Democracy will never wear
a sheath dress.

With the platform out of the way and
Mr. Bryan in the way, there is nothing
left but the Vice Presidential situation,
always grave, but now become acute.

Candidates Growing Anxious.

The Amalgamated Protective Association
of Vice Presidential candidates held
one last meeting and decided to stand
firm. The members chased delegates
around the corridors of the hotels, jam-
med them into corners, and pleaded for
support. The Hon. George Gray of
Delaware, emitted once every hour a
fresh statement that he will not, cannot,
shall not accept. "Who touches a hair
of your gray head," shouted Beasly
and Marvel in a grand antiphonal chorus,
"we will handle one of our specially
prepared declamations in any language de-
sired—march on," they said. A hundred
others had distributed specially prepared
acceptances, but nobody would accept
them.

One Is an Author.

Charles A. Towne spoke a piece for his
Alfalfa Bill Murray said he had miles of
veins and slants of language in him that
had never been tapped. An orator from
Los Angeles, who has been making the
walk in the Brown Palace Hotel
every night for a week about his candi-
dacy, sent out gentlemen agents among
the crowds with doggers announcing he
is the author of a book that can be ob-
tained for 50 cents a copy.

Every one of the candidates built a pyre
in the lobby of the hotel and announced
his willingness to sacrifice himself there-
on for the good of the party. The fifth
piece was that of Joseph W. Folk, of
Missouri, who is literally pining for sacri-
ficial rites.

Meantime, they will lassoo somebody by
to-morrow and, furthermore, it is an-
nounced that Mr. Bryan himself will be
here, will come on a special train and ad-
dress the convention.

Opinion is divided as to whether this
is a scheme to keep the people in tow
or whether Mr. Bryan is hurrying hither
to second his own nomination.

QUIET HOME WEDDING.

Mrs. Isabel May Royal Bride of
John Marshall Lowe.

Mrs. Isabel May Royal and Mr. John
Marshall Lowe were quietly married at
2:30 yesterday afternoon at the home of
Mr. Marshall, 32 New York avenue north-
east. Rev. Dr. W. Tallaferra Thompson,
pastor of the Eckington Presbyterian
Church, officiated. Only a small number
of friends witnessed the ceremony. Those
present were Dr. and Mrs. Thompson, Dr.
and Mrs. John F. Collins, Mrs. Col. De-
weese, Mrs. Marks, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar
McChesney, Mr. Frank McChesney, Mrs.
Howell and daughter, Mrs. Kemm, and
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Laux. Immediately
after the ceremony congratulations were
offered and a wedding lunch was served.
The bride was attired in a becoming
gown of delicate gray satin-striped crepe
de chine, with real lace trimmings. Im-
mediately after the luncheon Mr. and
Mrs. Lowe were driven to the Washing-
ton-Norfolk wharf, where they boarded
a steamer for Norfolk en route for Vir-
ginia Beach, where they will remain
about three weeks, returning to their
Washington home about August 1.

Mr. Lowe has been employed in the
government service for more than twenty-
eight years, at present being in charge
of the compilation and publication of the
Official Army Register.

BURTON WANTS TO SUCCEED FORAKER

Congressman Announces His
Candidacy for Senate.

CONFERENCE AT HOT SPRINGS

Invites Republican Leaders to Meet
Him There, but Many Are Coy Until
They Learn What Arthur I. Vorys
May Want as Solace for Losing His
Fight for National Chairmanship.

Columbus, Ohio, July 9.—Congressman
Theodore Burton, of Cleveland, has come
out openly as a candidate for the United
States Senate to succeed Joseph B. Foraker.
He has been sounding Ohio Republi-
can leaders, a number of whom he has
invited to call upon him at Hot Springs,
where Burton has been with Taft for
some days. Some of those summoned,
including Secretary of State Thompson,
have gone, but others have refrained,
pending word from A. I. Vorys as to
what ambitions he is entertaining since
he was turned down for national chair-
man.

Vorys, it was said to-night, does not
care so much for the Senate as for as-
surance of the State organization's sup-
port for governor two years hence, or for
assurances that he will be appointed Fed-
eral judge to succeed Albert C. Thomp-
son, of Cincinnati, on the latter's retire-
ment.

MYSTERY IN NEW ORLEANS.

Famous French Hairdresser Found
Hacked to Pieces.

New Orleans, July 9.—The failure of Al-
phonse Durot, famous French hair dresser,
to open his store this morning on Bour-
bon street as usual, revealed a murder
when the police broke into the place at
2 o'clock this afternoon.

Durot was found in the kitchen of his
home, literally hacked to pieces. Two
bloody butcher knives and a hatchet were
found on the floor, being mute evidence
of the manner in which the deed was
done. The affair is shrouded in mystery.
Durot had no enemies. The coroner re-
ported that he had been dead at least
twelve hours when his body was found.

Search revealed the theft of \$70 from his
cash register. A negro woman cook is
suspected and has been taken into cus-
tody.

POLICE RAID PRIZE FIGHT.

Principals in Bout Near Denver
Placed Under Bail.

Denver, Colo., July 9.—The principals,
seconds, managers, and club officials who
participated in a prize fight between "Jim"
Barry, of Chicago, and "Jim" Flynn, of
Pueblo, at the Wayside Athletic Club,
Petersburg, last night, were arrested im-
mediately after the conclusion of the bout
on the charge of aiding and abetting a
prize fight. They were at once released
on \$500 bonds.

Petersburg, where the fight was held, is
in Arapahoe county, adjoining Denver,
and the arrests were made by the sheriff
of that county.

MANY HORSE SHOW ENTRIES.

Prince William Exhibition Will Be
Held July 15 and 16.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Manassas, Va., July 9.—The entries for
the thirteenth annual exhibition of the
Prince William Horse Show Company, to
be held on Wednesday and Thursday,
July 15 and 16, have just closed, and in-
dicate that the exhibition will be the
largest and most successful in its history.

The racing feature, which was intro-
duced last year for the first time, proved
so great to his room, he secured a razor.
He was dead when found. He had long
been worried over ill-health.

Another novel feature is a balloon as-
cension, which will be made each day.

Among the well-known exhibitors from
Washington may be named M. C. Hazen,
F. B. Brightwell, Edward B. Jacobs, H. J.
Marshall, Paul Y. Waters, and J. H.
Miller.

Dr. E. H. Marsteller and John W.
Deitrick, both well-known Baltimoreans,
have entries.

This is the first horse show associa-
tion to be established in Northern Vir-
ginia, and the management feels very
proud of the lead it has maintained each
year. This year, under the management
of competent and experienced officers,
everything has been done which will con-
tribute to the comfort and pleasure of
the hosts who are expected to attend.

GUN FAILS; USES RAZOR.

Maryland Man Succeeds in Taking
His Own Life.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Cumberland, Md., July 9.—Borrowing a
shotgun from his brother-in-law, Clement
Nichols, who had just returned from a
hunting trip, William H. Saylor, thirty-
five years old, of near Garrett, went to
an outbuilding and shot himself in the
chest, but inflicted only a slight wound.

Covering the wound with a handkerchief,
he went to his home, where he told a
sister that while firing the gun, it kicked
back, striking him on the chin.

When he went to the bathroom, he found
that he had secured a razor. He was dead
when found. He had long been worried
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Presenting Johnson's Name.

Minnesota presents its beloved son,
John A. Johnson, to the convention. In
closing, and the Minnesota delegation
raised a furious shout and other delegates
on the floor joined them. The galleries
took up the applause and waved flags
to the chorus of "Johnson, Johnson, John-
son."

A dozen Georgia delegates joined in the
applause.

When the cheering had lasted five min-
utes, Clayton banged his gavel for order.
The cowboy band did not make a peep,
and Senator Grady, of New York, said:
"I hope you will notice the sublime im-
partiality of the band."

The friends of Mr. Johnson would not
heed Clayton's banging. They cheered
with redoubled vigor. Clayton waved his
hand at them to sit down, as he con-
tinued to whack his gavel for order. It
was a very staid demonstration. Not
even John I. Martin, who was sent by
Clayton to the floor to restore order, was
obeyed. The Johnson men would not
cease their cheers. Another five minutes
went by. Then the band started with
"We Won't Go Home Till Morning."

It played exactly one-half minute. But the
cheers continued, accompanied by the
whacks of Clayton's gavel. The band
played "Auld Lang Syne" for half a min-
ute, the cheering continued, and a clay-
ton was becoming very angry, continuing
to work his gavel every second.

Could Not Quell Noise.

During the Bryan demonstration he
made no effort to quell it. He could not
quell this demonstration. The main body
of the New Yorkers remained in their
seats, although the band played for half
a minute "Tammany."

The demonstration had lasted fifteen
minutes. Clayton renewed his efforts
for order. A dozen times he tried to
break up the Johnson outburst. While
the Johnson demonstration was at its
height, he ordered the secretary to con-
tinue the call of States.

"Delaware!" shouted the secretary,
but it could not be heard ten feet from
the platform.

Clayton now used his gavel even more
fiercely. The Johnsonites only laughed
at him. Then Clayton ordered the lights
turned down. This was met with jeers
and hisses.

Clayton next ordered the sergeant-at-
arms to the galleries to restore quiet.
The band played, "I'm Afraid to Go
Home in the Dark" for a quarter of a
minute.

"I am sorry that some of the invited
guests have abused their privileges,"
shouted Clayton. The secretary has
called the State of Delaware.

Quiet came only when ex-Representa-
tive Handy, of Delaware, appeared upon
the platform to place Judge Gray in
nomination.

Handy Is Interrupted.

Handy had not said twenty words be-
fore he was interrupted.

"I am here to speak for my candidate
and not for my opponent, and I would like
to be heard," he said.

At 11:35, Denver time, or 1:35 New York
time, Chairman Taggart entered the con-
vention hall heading the members of the
committee on resolutions, of which Gov.
Haskell is chairman. Mr. Handy ceased
speaking while the committeemen took
seats upon the platform.

It was a trying situation for Mr. Handy,
but when the committee was seated, he
cheerfully said he had had luck with in-
terruptions, and he now appealed for a
fair hearing. The audience clapped their
hands and Mr. Handy resumed his speech.

Bryanites Call Time.

The Bryanites called "Time" on Mr.
Handy, and he shouted back at them.

When Mr. Handy dramatically deman-
ded "Why regard the wild cry of passion
when prudence points the way to suc-
cess?" the galleries roared, and the
audience shouted "Bryan! Bryan! Bryan!"
They shouted at him "Bryan! Bryan!
Bryan!" and Mr. Handy turned in the
direction of the cries, shouting "Oh, shut
up! I am talking to the delegates."

At 11:59, Denver time, Handy finished.
The Bryan people at 12 o'clock, Den-
ver time, or 2 o'clock New York time,
New York time, stopped the clock in the
convention hall.

Gov. Haskell, chairman of the commit-
tee on resolutions, then was introduced,
after two days and two nights spent by
the committee in framing the platform,
saying he was glad to announce that per-
fect harmony existed in the committee.

He commenced the reading of the plat-
form at 12:30 a. m. Friday, Denver time.

Haskell Finishes Platform.

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declared that the work of this convention
had been accomplished here. This
brought out a roar of laughter.

The next speaker was Senator Thomas
F. Grady, of New York, who was intro-
duced by Chairman Clayton as an elo-
quent speaker, representing the Tam-
many tiger, "who would, in November
next, devour the Republican elephant."

Senator Grady said while he was not the
authorized spokesman of Tammany, he
nevertheless assured all Democrats of the
loyalty of the Empire State.

Judge Martin J. Wade, of Iowa, was
the next speaker. He was followed by
Champ Clark, of Missouri, who attacked
the Republicans in his usual style,
sneered at the Chicago platform, and de-
clared that William J. Bryan was the
greatest living American, and that he
would give the country a tariff for revenue
only.

Committee Not Ready.

At this point, 8:35 o'clock, Ollie James
reported that the committee on platform
would not be ready to report until mid-
night, which would be 2 o'clock Friday
morning in New York, and he moved that
the rules be suspended and candidates for
President be put in nomination, the ballot
not to be taken until the platform was
adopted.

Chairman Clayton put James' resolution
to the convention and it was unanimously
adopted.

The secretary then called the roll of
States to permit the presentation of the
names of candidates.

Alabama was the first on the list, and
the chairman of that delegation an-
nounced Alabama yielded its position to
the State of Nebraska.

I. J. Dunn, of Omaha, Bryan's personal
friend, then made the nominating speech
for Bryan.

Dunn Loudly Cheered.

Dunn's statement that Bryan was the
free and untrammelled choice of the mil-
lions of Americans brought out a great out